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Senior Review Panel

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MEMORANDUM FOR:

Director of Central Intelligence

Deputy Director of Central Intelligence Chairman, National Intelligence Council

NIO for Narcotics

SUBJECT:

Senior Review Panel Comments on Draft Concept Paper and Terms of Reference (TOR) for SNIE 1/8-84: <u>The Role of</u> Insurgents, Terrorists and Sovereign States in Drug Trafficking: Implications

for the US, dated 26 October 1984

- 1. The Panel believes that the subject drafts constitute a well considered, well organized framework for the intended study. They seem to strike a particularly nice balance among their constituent analytical, estimative, and case study sections.
 - 2. We have only these comments:
 - a. Many of the TOR have an appropriate forward-looking, estimative thrust. It would be helpful to eventual consumers if these--and the "Outlook" section--were situated in at least a generalized time frame: one, three, five years, whatever the drafters have in mind.
 - b. We assume that the propositions in TOR-V "Outlook" are not pre-conclusions but premises for examination. Would the statements at V-C: "The long-term goals of terrorist organizations . . are not compatible with sustained drug trafficking" and at V-E "The activities of non-traditional traffickers will expand . . . " be equally true?

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c. As a matter of both substance and estimative style, we think that TOR-IV "Implications for the United States" should be the SNIE's final section.

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